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PROPOSED ATTORNEY FOR DEBTOR

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN RE:

Chapter 11
Bankruptcy No.: 24- 14289

KINGDOM EMPOWERMENT
INTERNATIONAL MINISTRY D/B/A
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Debtor.

DECLARATION IN SUPPORT OF DEBTOR'S APPLICATION TO EMPLOY MUSI MERKINS, DAUBENBERGER & CLARK, LLP AND RULE 2016(B) STATEMENT

In accordance with Bankruptcy Rules of Civil Procedure 2014 and 2016(b), I, Dimitri L. Karapelou, Esquire hereby states as follows:

- 1. I am an attorney and counselor at law, duly admitted to practice in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and in this Court.
- I am Of-Counsel of the law firm of Musi, Merkins, Daubenberger & Clark, LLP,
 West Third Street, Media, PA 19063.
- 3. Musi, Merkins, Daubenberger & Clark, LLP ("MMDC") has extensive experience in bankruptcy, insolvency, corporate reorganization and debtor/creditor law. The firm is well qualified to represent the Debtor-in-Possession generally herein, and is willing to accept employment on the basis set forth in the annexed Application.

- 4. To the best of my knowledge, information and belief, neither I nor any member of my firm has any connection with the Debtor, creditors or any other party in interest or accountants except for the following:
 - (a) Prior to the bankruptcy, MMDC received the following funds as advance security retainers which were applied to invoices subsequently billed as indicated below:

Date Payment received	Amount received	Amount applied to services rendered before receipt	Amount applied to services rendered after receipt	Amount remaining on petition date	
Retainer November 29, 2024	\$16,738.00	\$0.00	\$3,470.50 Applied on November 29, 2024 to pay invoice for November legal services and chapter 11 filing fee	\$13,267.50	

- 5. Additionally, to the best of my knowledge, information and believe, neither I nor any member of my firm, does not hold any interest adverse to the above-entitled Estate which would disqualify it from representing the Debtor, and said law firm is a disinterested person as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(1).
- 6. The professionals at Musi, Merkins, Daubenberger & Clark, LLP, who are most likely to work on this bankruptcy are:

- a. Dimitri L. Karapelou \$495.00 per hour
- b. Associates-\$375.00 per hour.
- 7. The Debtor intends to pay Applicant for any post-petition services rendered as authorized by the Bankruptcy Code.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

Respectfully Submitted,

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